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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007–08 REGULAR SESSION

## ASSEMBLY BILL

**No. 469**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Horton**

February 20, 2007

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An act to amend Section 44350 of the Education Code, relating to teacher credentialing.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 469, as amended, Horton. Teacher credentialing: applications.

Existing law establishes in state government the Commission on Teacher Credentialing and requires the commission, among other things, to review and approve applications for, and issue, teaching and services credentials. ~~Existing law requires each~~ *A credential is required* to contain its date of expiration, be issued on a form prescribed by the commission, and bear the signatures of the secretary and the chairman of the commission or their facsimile signatures.

This bill would instead require the credential to bear the signatures of the executive director and the chair of the commission or their facsimile signatures. ~~The bill would require the commission~~ *would be required* to process an application for a credential within 50 business days, ~~except as subject to specified, and would establish a specified exceptions. A specific~~ *timeframe would be established* for the submission of certain applications to the commission by specified educational entities.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 44350 of the Education Code is amended  
2 to read:

3     44350. (a) Each credential issued shall contain its date of  
4 expiration, be issued on a form prescribed by the commission, and  
5 bear the signatures of the executive director and the chair of the  
6 commission or their facsimile signatures.

7     (b) In order to ensure the timely processing of an application  
8 for a credential, either electronically or by printed copy, the  
9 commission shall process an application within 50 business days  
10 *of receipt*.

11     (c) A school district, county office of education, nonpublic  
12 school, charter school, or institution of higher education submitting  
13 an application for a credential, certificate, permit, or other  
14 document shall submit the application to the commission not more  
15 than three months after the issuance date of the document  
16 requested.

17     (d) The processing time set forth in subdivision (b) does not  
18 apply to an application subject to a fitness review by the  
19 commission pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section  
20 ~~44450~~) and Article 8 (commencing with Section ~~44580~~) 44240)  
21 *of Chapter 2, or an application subject to a fitness review based*  
22 *on allegations of unfitness pursuant to Article 1 (commencing with*  
23 *Section 44420) of Chapter 3.*